

*Office of Population Affairs &  
Administration for Children and Families*

*ABSTINENCE EDUCATION  
CONFERENCE:  
STRENGTHENING PROGRAMS THROUGH  
EVALUATION*

*November 3-4, 2005  
Renaissance Harborplace Hotel  
Baltimore, Maryland*

*Preliminary Agenda*

*Day 1- Thursday, November 3, 2005*

8:00 a.m.	<b>Registration</b>
8:30 a.m.	Welcome & Goals for the Conference <b>Wade Horn, Assistant Secretary for Children and Families</b> <b>Alma Golden, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Population Affairs</b>
	Keynote Address: <b>Claude Allen, Chief Domestic Policy Adviser to President</b>
	<b>Panel Discussion-</b> Key Challenges in Evaluating Abstinence Education  <b>Moderator-Matt Stagner, Urban Institute Population Studies Center</b>  <i>The panelists will explore the challenges involved in developing and implementing abstinence education evaluations, with a focus on the importance of good "working" relationships between the program staff and evaluators.</i>

	Presentation: <b>Selected Peer Reviewed Abstinence Evaluation Report*</b>
	<p><b>Panel Discussion-</b> Evaluation Initiatives of State Abstinence Education Programs</p> <p><b>Moderator- Annie Miller, Administration on Children and Families</b></p> <p><i>The panelists will describe current state abstinence education initiatives.</i></p>
12:30p.m. -1:45pm	<b>Lunch</b>
	<p>Afternoon Keynote</p> <p><b>Michael Leavitt, Secretary of U.S. Department of Health and Human Services</b> (invited)</p>
	Presentation: <b>Selected Peer-Reviewed Abstinence Evaluation* Report</b>
	<p><b>Panel Discussion-</b> Current Federal Evaluation Initiatives of Abstinence Education Programs</p> <p><b>Moderator-Christine Bachrach, National Institute of Child Health and Human Development</b></p> <p><i>The panelists will review and examine current evaluation initiatives of Federally-funded abstinence education programs, including identifying implications for the future.</i></p>
	Presentation: <b>Selected Peer Reviewed Abstinence Evaluation Report</b>
	<b>Summary and Discussion of the Day's Presentation</b>
	<b>Poster Session &amp; "Meet and Greet"</b>
<b>Day 2- Friday, November 4, 2005</b>	
8:00 a.m.	<b>Registration</b>
8:15 a.m.	<p>Welcome Back and Overview</p> <p><b>Alma Golden, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Population Affairs</b></p>
	<p><b>Panel Discussion-</b> Status of Adolescent Intervention</p> <p><b>Moderator-Paul Douthit, Department of Pediatrics/Texas Tech University School of Medicine</b></p> <p><i>The panelists will review the current state of scientific evaluation of adolescent health and education interventions, including a discussion of the limitations and strengths of studies on drugs, comprehensive sex education, etc.</i></p>

	Presentation: <b>Selected Peer Reviewed Abstinence Evaluation Report*</b>
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	<p><b>Panel Discussion-</b> Importance of Evaluation of Policy Formation and Implementation</p> <p><b>Moderator-Shepherd Smith, Institute for Youth Development</b></p> <p><i>The panelists will address the vital link between evaluation and abstinence education programs and the formulation and implementation of sound public policies.</i></p>
	Presentation: <b>Selected Peer-Reviewed Abstinence Evaluation Report*</b>
12:00 p.m.- 1:00p.m.	<b>Lunch</b>
	<p><b>Panel Discussion-</b>Published Evaluations and Tips for Publishing Success</p> <p><b>Moderator- Dennis McBride, University of Washington</b></p> <p><i>The panelists will discuss concrete, successful strategies for getting program evaluations published</i></p>
	Presentation: <b>Selected Peer-Reviewed Abstinence Evaluation Report*</b>
	<p><b>Panel Discussion-</b>Using Evaluation to Improve Programming: Implications for the future</p> <p><b>Moderator- Alma Golden, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Population Affairs</b></p> <p><i>The panelists will explore the future of abstinence education program evaluation, with a focus on informing and strengthening programs.</i></p>
	<b>Closing Remarks</b>
3:45 p.m.	<b>Adjourn</b>

\*Presentations will be selected through a peer-review process of eligible A through H abstinence education program evaluation manuscripts.